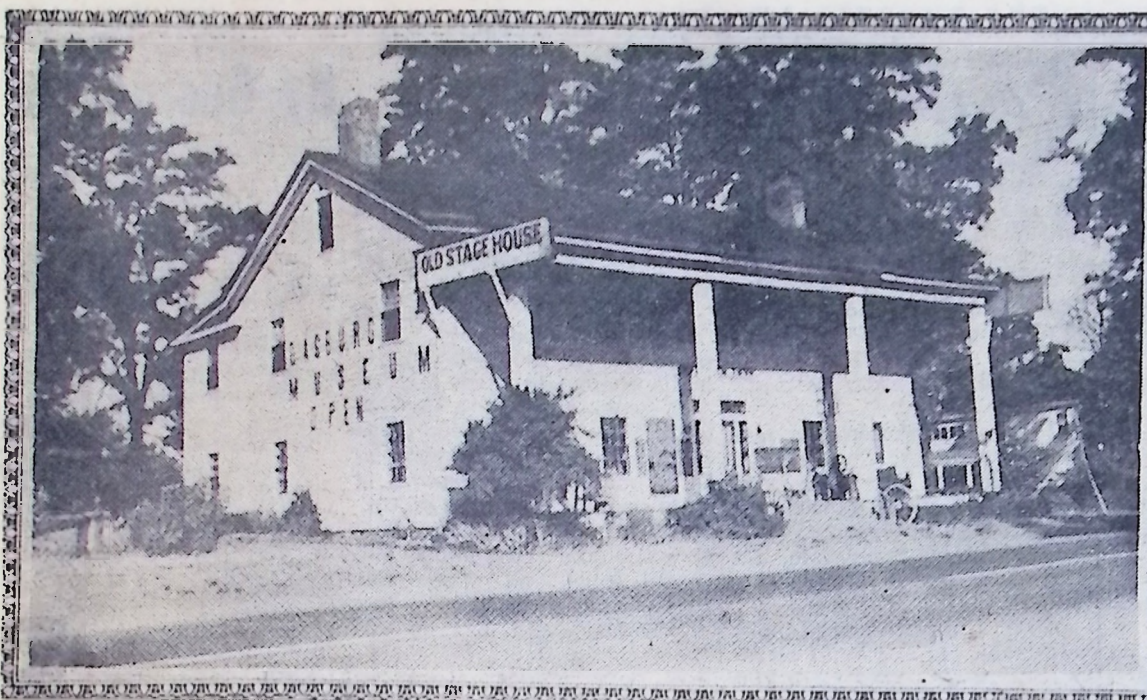




Historic Old Stage House, once school room, dance hall, church, and lodge hall and home of the pioneer Culver family will soon be reopened by present owners as a museum attraction.



The first school built in Gasburg, as Phoenix was then called, was built in the late fifties. It stood in about the same place now occupied by the Phoenix Presbyterian Church.

Phoenix Folks Recall Famous Buildings of Yesteryear

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Twenty Math Students Enter Annual Contest

On the morning of March 5, twenty students will participate in the tenth annual Mathematical Contest which is sponsored jointly by the Mathematical Association of America and the Society of Actuaries.

Gail Glidden Receives Honor

Gail Glidden has been given special recognition by the National Merit Scholarship corporation for her outstanding performances on a nation-wide test of educational development.

Gail, a senior, plans to enter Providence School of Nursing in Portland, Oregon after she graduates. She is a member of National Honor Society, Math Club, and Mask Club.

In a letter of commendation to Gail, John M. Stalnaker, president of the corporation, explained that the 10,000 students who received the commendation rank, are on the top two or three per cent in ability of the senior students.

More than 478,000 students entered the competition, and finalists and commended students receive many scholarships apart from the Merit program, it was explained.

STUDENTS MAKE PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Students having a perfect attendance record for the first semester ending January 16 are as follows: Alfred Beeson, Dorothy Bilderback, Bruce Burns, Chet Caster, Bonnie Faytinger, Fletcher Fish, Norma Glasscock, Sharon Hall, James Schwieter, Gary Colfax, Mike Consbruck, Dorothy Cotton, Randy Oetkan, Linda Goble, Othar Richey, James Coggins, Gwen Feris, David Robbins, Leland Coffman, Jim Martin, Bill Rasmussen, Peggy Smith, Nancy Stewart, Joe Colfax, Richard Lorton, Eldon Scott, Joyce Stockstill, Clair Mitchell, Mike Reese, Roberta Burns, Mary Cole, Dana Halaas, Pat Imhausen, Allen Morse, and Nedra Harris.

CENTENNIAL SWEETHEART



Miss Bonnie Faytinger was elected Phoenix High School's Centennial Sweetheart. Bonnie is one of the popular freshman lassies. Vivacious and charming, yet she has a serious side, for she is an ardent "Honor Roll" student. "A time to work and a time to play," is Bonnie's motto, and that is a good combination in anyone's language. So orchids to you, Bonnie, the sweetheart of Phoenix High.

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Phoenix Students Participate In Good Gov't. Day Activities

February 4th and 5th were the dates for this year's Student Government Day. Those participating from Phoenix were Jack Hoffbuhr, circuit court judge number 2; Don Mackintosh, district attorney; Leon Small, county commissioner; Tom Troxel, 4-H agent; Ida Marie Bolz, welfare agent; Mary Louise Cole, secretary of county court; Frances Hensley, deputy election court; Sheree Lue Skipworth, laboratory technician; and Susan Walker, deputy clerk, legal.

On Wednesday the day began with registration at 1:30 at the Elks Temple. The oath of office was then taken and half of the students went to KYJC and the other half to

KMED. Leon and Jack were on KBES-TV and Don spoke on KYJC. That evening the students, parents, advisors, superintendents, and mayors were honored at a banquet in the Elks Temple. Eric Allen Jr., managing editor of the Medford Mail Tribune, was the guest speaker.

With the students going with their counter-officials, Thursday activities were begun. At noon the students and counter-officials had luncheon at the Elks Temple. After the luncheon the students went on special tours of the city. The airport, juvenile detention home, courthouse, city police station, fire station, and county disposal plant were visited.

Historic Old Stage House Once Busy Center; Now Houses S. Oregon Museum

By Lorene Stephenson

Did you know that the Old Stage House is one of the oldest houses standing in Jackson County today? Samuel Colver and his wife, Huldah Calender Colver constructed the building in 1855, primarily, for hotel purposes and also as a refuge for the various families in the settlement during the Indian uprisings.

Considering the early day in which it was built, it was an enormous structure, being 50 feet, built of smoothly hewn logs 14 inches in thickness. The logs were planed smooth on their outer surface and dovetailed together at the corners. The post holes in the second story are not visible now as the outside has been weather-boarded over. The house is plastered throughout and originally contained four fireplaces. The kitchen fireplace has been removed.

The historic old home was the old community center. The large second floor, now divided into thirteen good sized rooms, was at one and the same time, school room, dance hall, church, lodge and play-house. Old timers still refer to this old home as the "block house." Originally, an upper balcony extended across the entire front of the house, connected by an outside stairway with the lower porch.

In 1918 in order to give the house a more modern appearance, this upper balcony was removed.

This home was known as the Colver house and it remained in the Colver family from the time of its construction in 1855 until 1923. Miss Edith Prettyman bought the house at this time and converted it into an inn, known as "The Blue Flower Lodge."

In 1941, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Peebler purchased the house under the name of the La Tosca Inn, and since then it has been known as the Old Stage House.

Mr. and Mrs. Peebler own the house today and are planning on reopening it the first of April. When visiting Southern Oregon, make it a point to stop and visit the house and its present owners.

The first school house was built by the settlers near what is now Talent. It was of rough

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Honor Roll Lists 44 Students

Susan Walker and Joyce Stockstill received straight "A's" for the first semester ending January 16.

Those students receiving no grade lower than a "B" were: Ida Marie Bolz, Margaret Ann Bolz, Mary Cole, Gail Glidden, Lola Good, Dana Halaas, Frances Hensley, Pat Imhausen, Sandra Skinner, Sheree Skipworth, Jack Hoffbuhr, Virginia Martin, Joyce Hunter, Doug James, Mike Lowery, Eldon Mitchell, Darlene Palmer, Bill Rasmussen, Nancy Stewart, Rance Eagleton, Frances Kievet, Barbara Beer, Ernie Bullard, Kay Demmers, Frank Eagleton, Jackie Howard, Darlyn Popow, James Schwieter, and Teresa six.

Those students with a B average or better were: Roberta Burns, Don Mackintosh, Lorene Stephenson, Karen Golding, Bonnie Mullineaux, Kenneth Bayless, Virginia Daugherty, James Bourdon, Chyrl Bowman, Marjorie Brood, Chet Caster, Bonnie Faytinger, and Othar Richey.

SPECIAL MUSIC CLASS MEETS AFTER SCHOOL

Music theory is a special interest subject that is now being taught by Harry Kannasto, music director, once each week after school. The students enrolled so far are Joyce Hunter, Ernie Bolz, Bill Oldham, Dorothy Cotton, and LaWanda Whisenant.

The class has been studying simple music structure and some elements of simple harmony. The aim of this class is to compose a short piece of music by the end of the school year. Mr. Kannasto says anyone interested in this is more than welcome to attend the meetings.

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The Good Old Days

In accordance with the festivities and celebrations of this coming Centennial year, we of the Phoenixian wish to do our small part in adding to the interest of our former days in Oregon by dedicating this issue to that end.

We hope you'll enjoy the Centennial activities and take an active part in giving recognition to Oregon's one hundredth birthday. Let's give Oregon a birthday celebration everyone will remember for years.

There Is One for You

When passing by the show case in the hall of PHS have you stopped to take note of the added features? The center of interest is a display of the special awards to be given to deserving students by teachers and club advisors. These awards will be presented at an awards assembly near the end of the year.

Awards in the field of journalism are: editor, business manager, outstanding journalist, and librarian.

Mathematics awards for Algebra 1, 2, 3, and geometry will be given.

In the commercial field four typing and three shorthand awards will be presented.

An award in art and home economics will be presented to the students outstanding in these fields.

Members of the Girls' Athletic Association will be given awards according to the years they have belonged and the points they have earned. An honor athletic award will be presented also.

Students who receive these awards will look back in a few years and remember they achieved an award for something well done.

Show interest and enthusiasm in your classes and when working in your clubs. Do the best job possible. Perhaps you'll be worthy of receiving an award. Think about these honors. You have a chance if you work hard and well at everything you do.

To My Valentine

Ah, my little valentine,
 You are so sweet and pure.
 I know our love is steadfast,
 For that there is no cure.
 I'd love to give you diamonds,
 I know they'd come in handy.
 This year, because of lack of funds,
 You'll get a box of candy.

Eldon Mitchell

Now You Know

F Students: Those who sleep in class with feet up on desk in front of them and heads back. They snore loudly, waking up everyone around them.

D Students: Those who sleep with heads down on desk, and don't snore (very often).

C Students: Those who sleep with heads in hands, elbows resting on the desk. No snores.

B Students: Those who keep heads hidden behind a book while sleeping. Never a sound.

A Students: Those rare amazing individuals who have learned how to sleep with their eyes open.

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VALENTINE EXCHANGE HAS ANCIENT ORIGIN

What is Valentine's Day to you?

The custom of choosing valentines on this day is of considerable antiquity. On the eve of St. Valentine's day young people of both sexes used to meet and each of them drew one, by lot, from a number of names of the opposite sex, which were put into a common receptacle. Each gentleman thus got a lady for his valentine, and became the valentine of his lady.

NEW NAMES FOR OLD

Many times colorful nicknames rise out of the physical conditions of a state.

Oregon is sometimes called the Beaver State because the beaver is associated with the early history of Oregon.

The nickname of Hard-case State is given because of the hardy and rough life of early settlers.

Have you ever been called a web-foot? This name is also given to the state because of the excessive rainfall.

Oregon reaches a more westerly point than any state with the exception of Washington. Because of this fact Oregon is sometimes known as the Sunset State.

Pirate Prattle

By Darlene Palmer

Congratulations to the junior class on their spaghetti dinner and on winning the "Race for the Moon" in the annual March of Dimes drive.

Welcome to two new students. They are Sande Beddoe, who comes from McLoughlin Jr. High, and Chris Bemis, who comes from Hedrick. Both are freshmen.

Have you forgotten your favorite date for the Sweethearts' Ball? Better hurry or you might lose out. The dance is set for the 21st of February and tickets are still on sale. So why don't you get set to have a ball.

Mike Lowery insists that claustrophobia is fear of clauses. Mrs. Sims, what have you done to the poor boy?

We now have a pay telephone installed in the breezeway at the south end of the building. This is to be used after games and such. You may still use the office telephone during the day if it is not congested.

Have you noticed that our paper is centered around the

February Birthdays

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Oregon Trail 2000 Miles Long

The Oregon Trail is a great highway of pioneer emigration to the Oregon country. It extended about 2,000 miles between the Missouri and Columbia rivers and was the longest of the frontier routes in the era of expansion westward in the United States.

Beginning near Independence, Missouri, at the bend of the Missouri River, the trail crossed the grassy plains and followed the Platte River to Fort Laramie, more than 600 miles in distance. At this point, wagons could be overhauled and repaired before entering and crossing the Rocky Mountains.

Bearing northwestward, it passed through South Pass, a wind gap about 7,500 feet above sea level, and then wound through 430 miles of difficult mountain terrain west of the continental divide of Fort Bridger, a second landmark. Along this section, bleached bones of horses and oxen and shallow graves of pioneers were mute reminders to the traveler of difficulties to be faced.

The next section to Fort Hall, on the Snake River, was 220 miles long. It passed through a gorge-like valley which caused travelers to forsake their wagons for pack-horses until later, when it was found that wagons could get through. When the Grande Ronde Valley was reached, oxen and horses could recuperate before the Blue Mountains were encountered. After that the banks of the Umatilla and Columbia Rivers afforded relatively easy traveling. The trail passed Fort Walla Walla and Fort Vancouver before reaching its terminus at Astoria or in the Willamette Valley.

Oregon Centennial? We will have a display in the trophy case shortly.

Nedra Harris tells us that a teacher is a textbook wired for sound.

Definition of a girl's purse: An amazing contraption which is small on the outside, yet holds enough to stock a store.

It seems Mrs. Sims, on running to investigate a loud crash in the press room, found Mr. Dube on his knees desperately gathering up hundreds of tiny poster letters. The little drawer that contains the letters evidently stuck and when Mr. Dube tried to release it, lost his balance and fell to his knees on the floor.

Pioneer Clothing Suited Occasion

At the time when Oregon was becoming a state, men wore clothes that were quite different from what they wear today.

The clothing worn by the early trappers consisted of a plain buckskin tunic with long fringes. These fringes were longer than most people think. They were used for binding thongs and they also tended to drain off the rain. The standard footwear worn by the trappers was moccasins. They were made by squaws, for the trappers married freely with the Indians.

Early lumbermen wore greased leather boots, plaid woolen shirts, and fur caps and coats.

Unlike today, men wore clothing that was not practical or useful.

Shop Interest Good Says Instructor

"I am very well pleased with the interest students show in shop," stated William Schulz, Phoenix High woodworking instructor.

Students have been working at noon and before and after school to finish their projects. With the donation of two loads of lumber from the Sierra Cascade Lumber Company, the students have a chance to make their projects at a minimum cost. All this lumber will be free. With this free lumber, the shop will soon start to mass-produce parts for chest-drawers.

By George . . .

Dear George,
 I couldn't grow a beard for the Centennial so I bought some FuzzyWuzzy hair-grower. I still haven't got a beard, but I have the hairiest fingers in school. What can I do?

Hairy

Dear Hairy,
 Shave at least once a day and maybe nobody will notice.

By George

Dear George,
 I have plenty of friends, money, a hot car, a little black book, and in general I'm a big wheel. I'm not satisfied. I want to be a beatnik. Any suggestions?

Unhappy

Dear Unhappy,
 Leave your money, your car, and your little black book in my name at school and leave everything else to me. In no time you'll be a beatnik.

By George

Dear George,
 I'm on the habit. I've tried to quit, but I can't. My teachers won't help me. How can I quit chewing gum?

Big Jaws

Dear Big Jaws,
 Experts say that if you supplement a bad habit with a good one you will have no desire to take up the bad one again. As an expert, I advise you to take up woodcarving. You should be able to get some practice in the school shop and you'll never chew gum again.

By George

Dear George,
 Would it be possible to borrow a few books from the library some night? I'm an insomniac and sleep days, but I still like to read.

A Literature Lover

Dear Literature Lover,
 Mrs. Sims likes readers, but she wouldn't appreciate a nocturnal visitor in the library I'm afraid. Besides who ever heard of anyone wanting to break into school? Most kids I know would like to break out!

That's all the problems this time. One last word of advice: "A person who makes a mountain out of a mole-hill usually is a good one at shoveling dirt."

By George

EARLY SETTLEMENT TYPICALLY WILD

How wild was Phoenix in the early days? Well, it wasn't as bad as some, but then again there were quite a few little quarrels and disagreements that usually led to a fight.

There was no established law in Phoenix until well after it was incorporated into a town. No peace officer was available except the county sheriff and his handful of deputies.

Still, Phoenix kept peace within itself fairly well. Very few, if any, serious crimes were committed and the only sign of lawlessness was the many street fights and brawls after dances and the like. No one usually tried to stop a fight; they just let them fight until they got too tired to fight any more.

DISC DATES SET TRYOUTS

Tryouts for new announcers on Phoenix High Disc Date will begin March 20. All sophomores and juniors interested should contact the present announcers Sandy Skinner, Nedra Harris, Frances Hensley, or Joyce Hunter. A list will then be made and those interested will be taken up to KWIN for trials.

Everyone interested is invited to come up to KWIN Friday nights between 8 and 9 and dance.

New Books Arrive For Library

About 35 new books are being processed for the library shelves, according to Lorene Shephenson, student librarian.

If you are looking for a good biography, you're sure to enjoy one of the following: *Bat Masterson*; *Fear Strikes Out*; *Introducing Charles Dickens*; or *Rockne of Notre Dame*.

Are you interested in stirring adventure stories? If so why not read these: *Above Suspicion*; *Phantom Fortress*; *Sabre Pilot*; *Escape to Adventure*; *Fighting Sheepman*; *Arrowsmith*; *Westward Ho*; *Two Against the Arctic*; *Submarine*; *Fire Burn*; *For Whom the Bell Tolls*; or *The Grapes of Wrath*.

GAA Program Slates Tourney

Girls in GAA have started off their basketball schedule under sports chairman Frances Stout. The girls will play an average number of games before the freshman versus sophomore tournament. Winners of the tournament will be announced at a later date. A good turn-out is expected and new students are encouraged to join.

FIRST CAR OWNER NAMED

Owen Dunlap, a long time resident of Southern Oregon, had the first car in Phoenix. The year was the early 1900's and the make was a Model T Ford. During the winter time roads in and around Phoenix were almost unsurpassable for these old cars.

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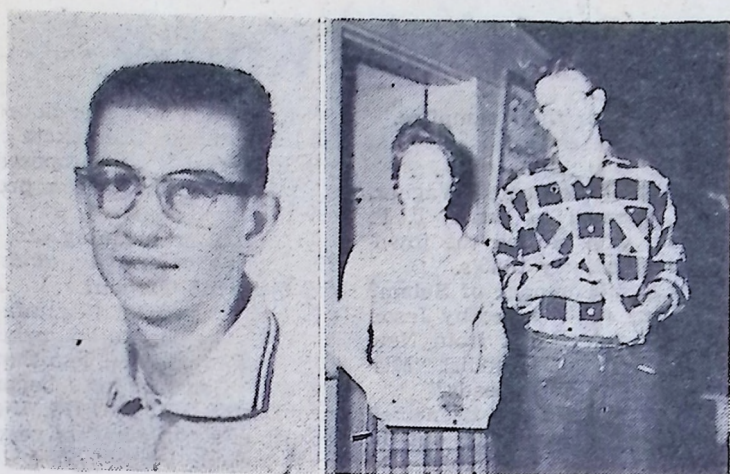
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Pictured above left is Ernie Bullard, 14 year old freshman who was chosen Student of the Day in the recent MOD campaign. Ernie is an Honor student. In addition to his studies, he says he always finds time for some water skiing, which is his favorite hobby. At right are Darlene Palmer and Gary Chriss who were named King and Queen of the 1959 MOD. They represented the junior class which was the winner of the contest with the largest contribution of \$36.95.

TESTING PROGRAM IS AVAILABLE TO SOPHS

Sophomores may register for the new National Educational Development Program merely on a voluntary basis.

The new tests have numerous guidance values for the student and his parents, and teachers and counselors. Because the test is similar to the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, students can note their progress from year to year.

Major features of the test are:

1. Guidance values for all participating students.
2. Identification and motivation of talented students.
3. Provides basis for measuring educational growth from year to year.
4. Interpretive materials for the school, students, and parents.

The test will be administered only on the same dates as the NMSQT, Tuesday, April 28, or Saturday, May 2, 1959.

Administration time is approximately three hours, and scores are provided in English Usage, Social Studies Reading, Mathematics Usage, Natural Science Reading, and Word Usage.

Physics Class Views Films

The students of the physics class at PHS are observing a series of films on Atomic Physics. Mr. Skipworth, class instructor, shows one film a day, and every student comes to class with a keen interest in the subject.

Construction of a six foot long geissler tube has taken place within the class periods. Each student is instructed to make a tube in class. These tubes show the visibility of cathode rays.



Cy says: "I wonder if all the girls would fall for me if I grew a beard?"

Junior Couple Honored

Junior class candidates, Gary Chriss and Darlene Palmer, were crowned king and queen of the 1959 March of Dimes at an assembly Friday.

The theme of the race was "Shooting for the Moon." The juniors contributed the largest donation of \$36.96. The sophomores followed with \$32.73; the freshmen collected \$27.21; and the seniors trailed with \$12.64.

The sophomores' candidates for king and queen were Gerald Sloper and Frances Kievet; freshmen's Linda Ray and Gary Colfax; and seniors', Dave McClurg and Pat Imhausen.

The total amount of money collected for the drive this year was \$114.54, \$44.54 over the \$70 collected last year.

The name of the junior class will be engraved on the MOD plaque. This tradition began 3 years ago when students purchased this plaque for PHS.

The Lazy Jester

Father to daughter's date playing records: You're darn right that music sends, son, and don't slam the door.

Teacher: "Willie, how do you define ignorance?"
Willie: "It's when you don't know something and somebody finds it out."

First Steno: "George's mustache makes me laugh."
Second Steno: "Tickled me too."

Doctor (complacently): "You cough more easily this morning."

Patient (querulously): "I should. I've been practicing all night."

One Guy: "Did you mark that place where fishing was so good?"

Another Guy: "Yes, I put an x on the side of the boat."

First Guy: "That's silly. What if we should get another boat?"

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I. V. EDGES PHOENIX

Phoenix Pirates lost a close game to Illionis Valey Jan. 17 by the score of 45 to 38.

This gives Phoenix no wins and two losses in the Rogue League competition.

The score seesawed back and forth in the battle, but Illionis Valley pulled away in the final closing minutes.

The Pirates controlled the backboards in the game with a 56 to 31 advantage. Although Phoenix out rebounded I.V., they didn't get the close up shots. Dillree had a remarkable amount of rebounds, getting 25. Dave Barlow got 13 rebounds in the second half to pace Phoenix.

High point man for Phoenix was Bill Dillree, collecting 13.

VIKINGS TIP PIRATES

Myrtle Creek defeated the Phoenix Pirates by the score of 55-32. Their hot field goal shooting was the difference.

Myrtle Creek was ahead in the quarters. Quarter standings were 18-4, 31-11, at the half, and 47-32 at the third quarter. Gregg Linquist and Dudley Klimback each had 12 points for the Vikings and Bill Dillree had 9 markers for the Pirates.

The Phoenix freshmen defeated Illionis Valley's freshmen 45-35 in the preliminary game. Gary Colfax was high man for the Pirates with 12 points.

Eagle Point beat the Phoenix Pirates 56-49 at Eagle Point January 30.

The game was close all the way. In the last quarter Eagle Point went ahead and stayed ahead, but by a small margin. Quarter scores were 11-10 in favor of Eagle Point. At the half it was all tied up at 24 apiece. The Eagles led at the third period by a slim margin of 39-37. It could have been anybody's ball game.

Bill Turner was high point man of the evening, getting 28 markers; Phoenix's Mike Reese collected 21.

Eagle Point won the J.V. contest 35-32 with Othar Richy getting eight points for the

Pirates.

Phoenix got into the winning column in Rogue League play Saturday night by beating Rogue River 48 to 35.

Quarter leads for Phoenix were 13-9, 22-19, and 34-29.

Although the scores were close in the first and second quarter, Phoenix finally got under control in the fourth quarter.

Freshman Mike Consbruck was high scorer for Phoenix, getting 18. Carter was high for Rogue River, getting 10.

Rogue River won the J.V. game 52-51 after the home club had rallied from a 38-29 halftime. Gary Chris put in 16 for Phoenix.

Driver Training Enrolls 24

Twenty-four students have enrolled in the new driver training class for the second semester. They are divided into two groups. Group I has class on Monday and Wednesday, and Group II has class on Tuesday and Thursday. On Friday, both groups meet in the projection room, where they have class work.

In the first group, 12 students are enrolled: Dennis Jones, Mike Consbruck, Tim Hutchins, Roland Peyton, Darlyn Popow, Teresa Six, Dixie Davis, Frances Stout, Dotty Arney, Ella Fay Keeney, Marian Troxel, and Beverly Johnson.

In the second group there are also 12 students enrolled. This group includes Charles Gascon, Leon Small, Jeff Fowler, Ken McLeish, Norma Glasscock, Jim Martin, Don Learn, Norman Plummer, Dan Lumley, Ernie Bolz, Bill Oldham, and Roger Kelsoe.

George L. Lucas, driver training instructor said, "I think I'll have a wonderful class this semester. They should all be good drivers."

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NHS Initiates Nine Members

Nine new members were initiated into National Honor Society, Tuesday evening, February 17. The honor initiates were Jack Hoffbuhr, Bill Rasmussen, Joyce Hunter, Nancy Stewart, Eldon Mitchell, Doug James, Karen Golding, Susan Walker, and Dana Halaas.

A candlelight ceremony was presented by the society members during which the four cornerstones of the National Honor Society were reviewed. After the introduction of the initiates and the administering of the pledge, pins were presented by the mothers of the initiates, respectively.

Entertainment features included a piano solo by Mary Cole, and a song, "My Happiness" sung by the group. E. M. Skipworth, vice-principal, prefaced the ceremony by stating the aims and requirements of the National Honor Society.

To be eligible, a student must have better than a 3.0 scholastic average and must be a member of the junior or senior class. His eligibility shall then be considered on his service, leadership, and character.

Members of the society assisting in the program were Margaret Ann Bolz, Pat Imhausen, Gail Glidden, Sandy Skinner, Sharee Skipworth, and Mary Cole.

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Vital Facts You Should Know

How many miles of roads and highways does Oregon have?
There is a total of 62,295 miles of roads and highways in Oregon.

What was the name of the first permanent settlement in the Oregon Country and after whom was it named?
Astoria, John Jacob Astor.

What was the first natural resource of Oregon to be utilized by white men?
Fur of wild animals.

Who was the first independent and successful American farmer in Oregon?
Ewing Young.

What were the most common methods of travel available in the Oregon country a century ago?
By canoe, horseback, afoot.

Who were the first residents of Phoenix and in what year did they come?
At the end of 1851 there were 26 men living in the Rogue River Valley. Sam Colver took up a donation land claim where the town of Phoenix now is.

Why did Phoenix begin to grow in 1858?
In 1858 a gold rush brought many people to this vicinity. When did the railroad come through Phoenix?

The railroad tracks reached Phoenix from the north in 1884.
Which is the oldest house in Jackson County?

The oldest house in Jackson County is the Old Stage House (Gasburg Museum). The early history of the house is in this edition of the Phoenixian.

What is the state tree of Oregon?
The Douglas Fir.
What is the state motto?

The state motto is "The Union" and was adopted by the 49th Legislative Assembly in 1957, recorded in ORS 186, 040. It appears on the state seal. The territorial motto was "Alis Volat Propriis" (She Flies With Her Own Wings).

What is the origin of the name Medford?

Medford, established in 1883, was first called Middleford because it was situated at the middle of three fords on Bear Creek. However David Loring, a railroad engineer who lived in Medford, Massachusetts, suggested the change to the present name.

Who were the first people to use the site of Portland?

The Chinook Indians were the first to use the site of Portland as a port. They found it a good place to tie up their canoes on trading trips between the Columbia and Willamette rivers and cleared about an acre of ground gather-

ing wood for their campfire. What was the original name of Talent?

Talent, first named Wagner, was renamed to honor T. P. Talent, who plotted the town-site in the early 1880's.

Who is the founder of Salem?
Salem was founded by Jason Lee, who was sent from New England as a Methodist "Missionary to the Flatheads."

How did Salem get its name?
The town was laid out in 1854 and the first lots sold were purchased with wheat. In choosing a name for the

"town," which had one house, the Indian name Chemeketa or "place of rest," was proposed, but missionary brethren preferred a biblical word, Salem, with a similar meaning.

When was the founding of the University of Oregon?

It had its official beginning in 1876. The institution originally was to cost not less than \$50,000. Construction began with Deady Hall in 1873. But because of a panic in that year, work lagged. Finally in 1876 doors opened and classes began.

GAA GROUP ATTEND CONVENTION

Five members of the GAA left Friday, January 16, 1959 at 2 p.m. for Eugene where they attended a GAA convention January 17, at South Eugene High School. The day for the girls started at 9:30 a.m., and the sessions ended at about 3:15 p.m.

The first order of the day was an assembly in the auditorium. After the sessions the delegates moved to the boys' gym where they viewed a demonstration on volley-ball and basketball. Following this the girls broke up into different groups for "buzz" sessions, where they discussed different topics given to each girl ahead of time.

At the conclusion of the "buzz" sessions, the girls had lunch and were entertained. After a rest period the girls attended a brief meeting in the auditorium where they gave a summary of the morning's activities. The officers of the GAA attended special meetings and the other delegates watched a sports movie. The meetings were over at about 3:15.

Joyce Stockstill, Bobbie Gysin, Chyrl Bowman, Darilyn

Popow, and Marge Brood went on a trip of one of the largest department stores in Eugene, the "Bon Marche." The girls left Eugene at 5:30 and drove to the basketball game at Illinois Valley.

SOC Students Teach at PHS

PHS has acquired two new cadet teachers from SOC. They are Glenn Allison and Keith Lockhard.

Mr. Allison assists Roscoe Larson in his fifth period biology class. While attending college, he was a member of the rally squad and the track team. Mr. Allison is majoring in biology and science.

Mr. Lockhard, while attending SOC, was active in the Gamma Theta Upsilon (National Professional Government Fraternity) and the Southern Oregon Educational Association. He helps Mrs. Thomas in the world geography classes.

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logs with cloth covered windows on two sides. The floor was of slabs, benches of slabs with legs of round sticks inserted in auger holes, no backs. The desks were simply rough plank tables.

It was erected on Bear Creek about one fourth of a mile from the farm of Jack Wagner. There being no school districts yet established, it was started as a subscription school and the name of Eden given to the school. The first teacher was Miss Mary Hoffman and her school consisted of the children of the surrounding country for several miles in every direction. The school books consisted of books brought across the plains from nearly a dozen different states. Reading, writing, and arithmetic were about all the subjects taught.

THREE FFA'ERS ATTEND SOIL MEET

Three members of the Phoenix FFA chapter were invited to attend a course in Soil Survey, Soil Classification, and Soil Judging on February 14 at the Courthouse Auditorium in Medford. Participating were Gerald Sloper, Dean Sommers, and Roger Kelsoe.

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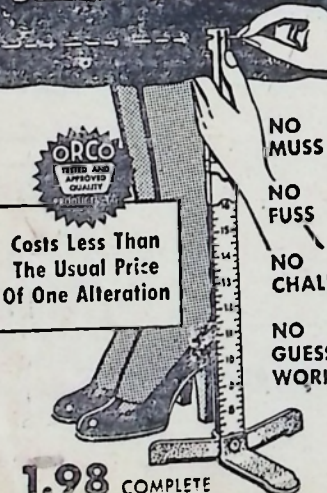
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